## Keeping up with Kona

Singing superstar Dilshad Nahar Kona is a widely recognised voice in Bangladesh, thanks to her beautiful playback songs, television commercial voiceovers and jingles, among other works. The artiste remains equally busy throughout the year working in the TVC industry as well as performing on stage. Throughout her career in the media, which commenced at a very tender age, she has performed in over a thousand live shows and worked as a television host and master of ceremonies as well.

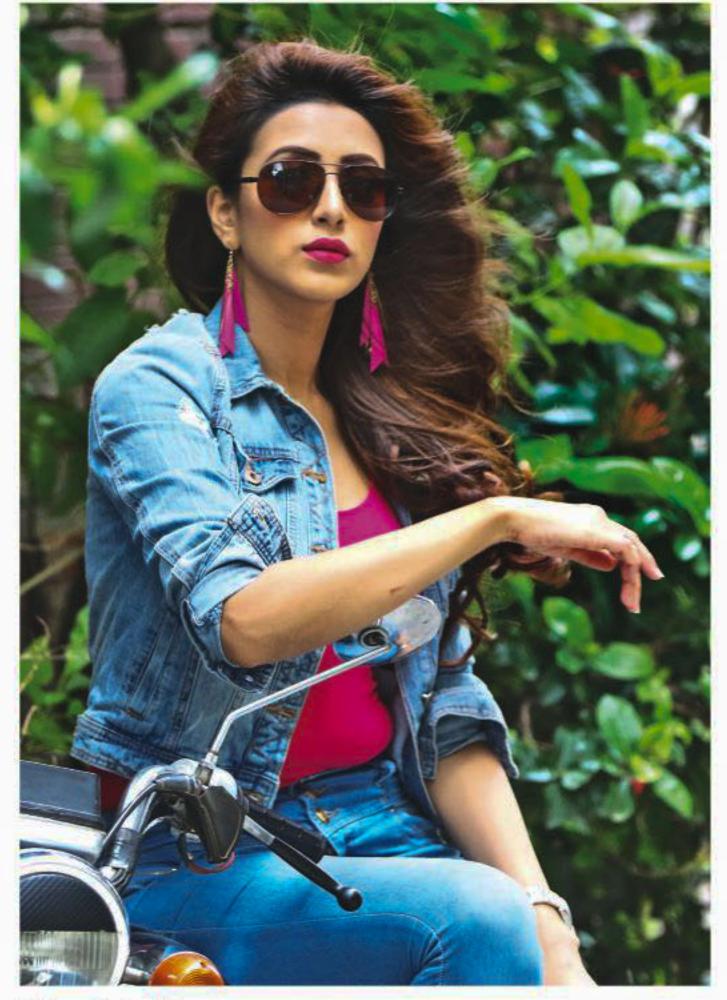


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The artiste recently voiced two duets with talented singer Imran for the upcoming films Bishwa Shundori and Shaan. "It was quite a lovely experience to record the romantic song Tui Ki Amar Hobi Rey for the upcoming movie Bishwa Shundori. Imran is composing the music for this film," says Kona, who is also busy with recording solos and covers for her YouTube channel.

Kona has a knack for rendering Nazrul Sangeet, especially the ragabased melodies. Though she does not have any solo Nazrul Sangeet album, she has two music videos of Nazrul songs -- Priyo Jai Jai Bolo Na and Porodeshi Megh. "I am fascinated with the genre. When I am in an adda with my friends, I prefer to perform either golden oldies or Nazrul Sangeet," added Kona. "I wish to work on another Nazrul composition Mone Pore Aaj Shey Kon Jonome for my next music video."

The professional singer has four solo albums to her credit. However, with technological advancements and evolving trends reshaping tendencies of listening to music, artistes are focusing more on digital platforms to reach a larger audience. "The audience's taste varies. It is quite impossible to satisfy everybody with your artistic effort. At the end of the day, only the good works will live up to expectations whereas substandard ones will not. I hope to continue my practice and persevere in this industry till the end of my days. I am happy with the way my fans love me, and I hope they will remain with Bangla songs for the times to come," concluded Kona.



Bidya Sinha Mim

## MIMS new avatar



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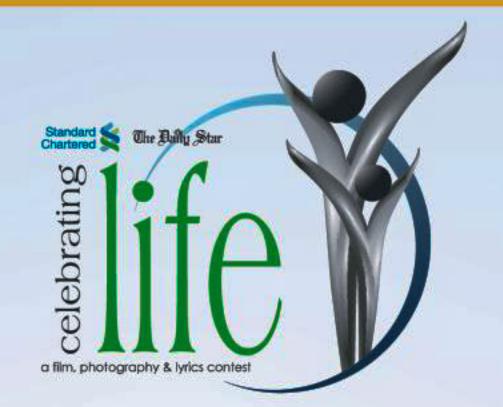
National Award-winning actor Bidya Sinha Mim is set to star in the music video of a song titled Tomar Dekha Jodi Pai, written by Robiul Islam Jibon and composed by Akash Sen. Puja of Channel i Shera Kontho fame, has lent her voice to the song. The video, which has been shot in different locations across Dhaka, is directed by Chandan Roy Chowdhury. "This is my first time starring in a music video," says Mim. "I enjoy working on songs for films. Being in a music video was quite similar to that. I had a great experience."





The third season of 'Ispahani Mirzapore Banglabid', a popular linguistic competition, will be aired every Friday and Saturday at 9:35 pm on Channel i, starting from today. The show will feature Professor Dr Soumitra Shekhar, renowned writer and poet Anisul Haque and actor and media personality Tropa Majumder as judges. PHOTO: COURTESY









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